

8-27-2012

GSU View, 2012-08-27

Office of Marketing and Communications

Follow this and additional works at: <http://opus.govst.edu/gsuview>

Recommended Citation

Governors State University Office of Marketing and Communications, GSU View (2012, August 27). <http://opus.govst.edu/gsuview/489>

This Newsletter is brought to you for free and open access by the University Newsletters at OPUS Open Portal to University Scholarship. It has been accepted for inclusion in GSU View by an authorized administrator of OPUS Open Portal to University Scholarship. For more information, please contact opus@govst.edu.



News and Events

The Dual Degree Program Front Page Feature

GSU's innovative Dual Degree Program (DDP) was featured on the front page of the SouthtownStar Friday, August 25. The story emphasized how the program addresses President Obama's call to raise graduation rates. Last week GSU admitted the first cohort of on-campus Dual Degree Program students. The DDP has been gaining national recognition, including a substantial grant from the Kresge Foundation.

Read the [SouthtownStar story](#).

Mark your Calendar! Two Grants Workshops Slated

On September 13 and 14, Dr. Robert Porter will lead the workshops, which are hosted by GSU's Office of the Provost and the Office of Sponsored Programs and Research. Both workshops are three hours long and will take place in Sherman Hall.



Dr. Robert Porter

Writing Successful Grants takes place on Thursday, September 13, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. This introductory workshop covers basic principles of good grant writing — starting with the phrasing of a compelling research theme to the actual construction of the proposal itself. The workshop focuses on the perspectives of grant reviewers and how to write in ways that meet their expectations.

Strategies for Success in Sponsored Research will be held on Friday, September 14, from 9 a.m. to noon. This workshop features three interactive modules:

- Learn how to assess whether a specific research idea matches what the sponsor wants to fund.
- Knowing how to communicate with the sponsor agency prior to writing the proposal is a critical first step.
- Participate in a mock review panel, reading and evaluating a sample grant proposal.

Dr. Robert Porter is workshop leader. Dr. Porter has presented grant writing workshops at leading universities and medical schools across the country. Currently Director of Research Development at the University of Tennessee, Dr. Porter has 30 years' experience as a tenured professor, private consultant, and research administrator.

For more information, and to register, contact [Jennifer Morehead](#) at 708.235.2846.

A Great Lake, and Close to Home



Along Lake Michigan

After journeying to far-flung spots around the globe this summer, Pierre the Penguin decided to take some time off from his exotic travel agenda, and kicked back on a staycation with student Kelly Lorenz.

As a well-rounded, discerning aquatic animal, Pierre knows Lake Michigan pretty much has it all when you are looking for sun, sand, waves, and gorgeous scenery. He basked in the sun and posed for pictures at Kemil Beach, part of the breathtaking Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore.

There's just one month to go before the end of this summer's Take Pierre on Vacation photo contest. Send your pictures of Pierre's summer travels to the GSU View and you'll be eligible for fabulous prizes. For information on picking up your own GSU penguin for travels near and far, and how to enter the contest, visit [Pierre's webpage](#).



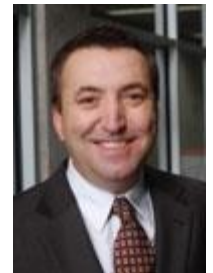
Casting his beak skyward

Sign Up with Dean's Twitter Account

Dean Aurélio Valente invites students to subscribe to his @GSUDean Twitter account to get updated (and sometimes advance) news and information about upcoming GSU events and programs.

If you subscribe to @GSUDean by Friday, August 31, you could be one of the first to get a free dinner as part of the monthly "Dinner with the Dean" program. This new outreach program by Dean Valente provides four to six students with a unique opportunity to talk about their experiences at GSU, and address issues and concerns directly with the Dean of Students.

In addition, all students are encouraged to take advantage of Dean Valente's open office hours, held weekly on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in G372.



Dean Valente

Library Sessions Target Online Resources

The GSU Library is providing orientations to demonstrate the functions of the Library's website. The sessions will be especially useful to those new to the Library's online resources.

Orientations will be held in the Library Tuesday, September 4 through Thursday, September 6 at 12:30, 3, and 6 p.m., and Friday, September 7, at 12:30 and 3 p.m.

Students and faculty can learn more about Library instruction services by visiting the [Library Instruction and Workshops](#) page.

ARC Hosts Suicide Prevention Program

The Academic Resource Center will host an information session on National Suicide Prevention Day, September 10, from noon to 1 p.m., in Room B1216. Learn the issues, warning signs, and assistance services available.

The program is are free and open to the public. For more information, call 708. 235.2228.

Book Addresses Sexuality, Recovery Issues

Dr. Raven James' new book, *Sexuality and Addiction: Making Connections, Enhancing Recovery*, was published this summer. Dr. James is assistant professor in addiction studies at GSU.



The book presents a broad overview of sexual health issues that documents the link between sexuality and substance abuse, and describes how counselors can help individuals who have been impacted by negative sexual experiences to find a way out of the pain that leads them to addiction or back to substance abuse.

Dr. Raven James "Sexuality education is not a standard part of treatment even though it is linked to relapse for clients," Dr. James said. "We need to promote sexual health in substance abuse treatment, and this book is a great resource for educating counselors in the substance abuse field. It is an overview of sexuality issues linked to substance abuse, and not about sexual addiction, which is a concept I do not support."

More details about the book are also available on Dr. James' [Facebook page for the book](#).

Train for a Computer Networking Career

Computer Network training is now available at GSU. The Computer Networking Series offered this fall enables participants to gain career enhancing skills through non-credit courses. Students will receive training preparing them for certifications in Comptia's A+ and Cisco's Certified Network Administration. Courses may be taken individually or in sequence, depending on individual career and education goals.

Course topics include Computer Hardware, Networking Fundamentals, Networking Switches and Routing, Wireless Networking, Windows Seven Operating System, and Windows Server Operating System.

For more information about the Computer Networking Series, contact the School of Continuing Education at 708.534.4099 or visit www.govst.edu/oce/.

Information Session on Physical Therapy Doctorate

GSU's Physical Therapy Department will host an Information Session/Open House for individuals interested in learning more about the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree program on Wednesday, September 12, from 4 to 7:30 p.m., in room D3400.

Information will be presented about admission criteria and course curricula. GSU offers an on-campus, entry-level Doctor of Physical Therapy degree for those interested in starting a career in physical therapy.

Attendees will have the opportunity to meet faculty members and tour classroom and laboratory spaces. Advisors will be available for individual consultation. Light refreshments will be provided.

Additional information is available by contacting [Mary Tracy](#) at 708.534.7290.



Copyright © 2012 Governors State University | [Privacy Policy](#)
1 University Parkway, University Park, Illinois 60484-0975
708.534.5000 | [Email GSUView](#)